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## Conversation with Mr. Kirkpatrick

3:30 P.M., 19 May 1953

1. There will be no Steering Group meeting on the 18th.
2. Mr. Kirkpatrick has not yet received an appeal on the two Professional Selection Panel cases. I told him that [ ] had signed the appeals and they were supposed to be on the way. 25X1
3. Regarding Mr. [ ] since I have the responsibility of keeping accurate minutes of the meetings, Mr. Kirkpatrick has no objection to his taking a full transcript if I require it. I will work out with [ ] signals so that he will either take or not take certain parts. 25X1
4. We went over the agenda and Mr. Kirkpatrick kept the copy I had taken to him, adding between the minutes and Item 2 the note that he should make some remarks about his accession as Chairman and the proceedings in the Steering Group since the last Board meeting. 25X1
5. Re Item 2, I received back from him original comments by the Office Boards on the Panel's recommendations so that they could be used by [ ] Amory, etc. These comments should be delivered back to Mr. Kirkpatrick early Thursday morning for his study before the meeting. He understands that the carbon copies are being circulated to Baird, [ ] The OCI and Security comments will be added to the originals prior to delivery to Mr. Kirkpatrick on Thursday and a digest of those comments should be prepared for the meeting on Thursday. 25X1
6. Regarding the Carey memorandum, return it to Mr. Carey advising him that he is correct.
7. Hold Personnel Notice about the Panel until after the meeting on 21 May only because of propriety not because he has any doubt about whether the Panel is going to be kept or not.
8. Item 3 - Training Policy - no problems.
9. Item 4 - Executive Inventory - no problems.
10. Item 5 - Insurance Task Force Report. [ ] will make a verbal report on [ ] paper. 25X1
11. Item 6 - Ditto - verbal report on paper to be written by Gaynor. 25X1
12. Item 7 - New business - [ ] will report to Board on career designations. [ ] will take all remarks. Notice [ ] is approved by Kirkpatrick and carried to Gen. Cabell. Mr. Kirkpatrick read [ ] memo of 16 April re support and clerical designations. Mr. Kirkpatrick read [ ] memo re abolition of several DD/P Boards and a centralized Board. Take no official cognizance of this as yet. 25X1

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Mr. Kirkpatrick read Mr. Wolf's memo to DD/A Boards and the two page memo which had been prepared by Mr. [ ] He felt that this was a good start but that the CIA Board should go further in telling Office Boards of the facilities the top Board had at their disposal and particularly what facilities the Personnel Office had at the disposal of the Office Boards. He asked that [ ] using that as a starting point, begin to build a paper which will put into effect the above general requirements. This memo of Mr. Wolf's was returned to [ ] after the meeting and [ ] asked [ ] if he could borrow it again.

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